



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS WEEK

WHEREAS: Georgia's 5,535 correctional officers demonstrate extraordinary commitment to performing their duties in state, county, and private institutions as well as boot camps, transitional centers, and substance abuse treatment facilities; and

WHEREAS: Correctional officers oversee the inmate population and enforce rules, regulations, and policies. These individuals are thereby essential in ensuring the safety of state prisons, inmates, staff, and the general public; and

WHEREAS: Georgia's correctional officers play an integral role in the daily operations of the Georgia Department of Corrections and the entire criminal justice system. They maintain control of their facilities while providing offenders with opportunities to make positive changes; and

WHEREAS: Through their continued efforts on the forefront of our criminal justice system, correctional officers have helped Georgia garner national attention as a leader in penal institutions; and

WHEREAS: The citizens of Georgia are deeply grateful for the dedicated service of correctional officers; now

THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 1-7, 2017, as CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS WEEK in Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 21st day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand seventeen.



Nathan Deal

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Chris W. Riley

CHIEF OF STAFF